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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: TERRORIST TAKE-OVER SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSY, PARIS

REF: JIDDA'S 3819 (NOTAL)

1. UPI PARIS REPORTS TAKE-OVER OF SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSY, PARIS
AT ABOUT 0830 GMT THIS DATE BY THREE ARMED MEN.
FIVE HOSTAGES BEING HELD. SHOTS FIRED ON ARRIVAL OF POLICE.
GUNMEN, REPUTED TO BE ARAB SPEAKING, HAVE ISSUED DEMAND FOR
FIREARMS AND AN AIRPLANE TO BE PLACED AT THEIR DISPOSAL.
PURPOSE OF ATTACK SUBJECT TO CONFLICTING REPORTS. ONE SOURCE
STATES THIS A BID TO FREE UNNAMED PALESTINIAN GUERRILLA IN
JORDAN, OTHER SOURCE ALLEGES ATTACK AIMED AT SECURING RELEASE OF
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POLITICAL DETAINEES IN KUWAIT. AUTHORITIES NEGOTIATING WITH

TERRORISTS INCLUDE FRENCH POLICE AND KUWAIT AMBASSADOR, FAISAL SALEH AL-MUTAWA.

2. FYI: SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSY ISSITUATED ADJACENT TO OECD OFFICE BUILDING HOUSING U.S. DELEGATION/ OECD. USDEL OECD AND STRUCTURE IN WHICH HOUSED NOT RPT NOT INVOLVED IN TERRORIST ATTACK. OPERATIONS IN USDEL PROCEEDING NEAR NORMAL DESPITE HEAVY POLICE COVERAGE OF AREA. INCREASED SURVEILLANCE BEING MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT EMBASSY PARIS BUT NOT RPT NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO DATE TO INDICATE TERRORIST OPERATIONS HAVE OR WILL INVOLVE U.S. PERSONNEL AND/OR FACILITIES.
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